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Litchfield, Illinois Man Arrested, Charged with Production and Possession of Child Pornography

Springfield, IL - Rodger A. Heaton, United States Attorney for the Central District of Illinois, announced that a 65-year-old Litchfield, Illinois man has been arrested and charged by criminal complaint with production and possession of child pornography.

Paul Kincaid, age 65, of 502 East Union Street, Litchfield, Illinois was arrested on September 6, 2006, at his home following execution of a search warrant of the residence. Law enforcement agents with the U.S. Secret Service and the Litchfield Police Department seized hundreds of images of child pornography, including photo albums, from the home. Kincaid remains in the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service pending arraignment and detention hearings scheduled on September 11, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. in federal court in Springfield, Illinois.

The affidavit filed in support of the criminal complaint alleges that Kincaid used a Polaroid camera to create many of the sexual images of minors in a makeshift photo studio above a hair salon located at the rear of the property at 502 East Union in Litchfield. The complaint specifically charges Kincaid with possession and production of child pornography on or about September 2004.

If convicted, the statutory penalty for production of child pornography is no less than 15 years in prison to 30 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000. For possession of child pornography the penalty is up to 10 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000. Mandatory supervised release for both offenses is any term of years to life.

The charges are the result of an investigation by the U.S. Secret Service and the Litchfield Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney John Childress in the Springfield Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Members of the public are reminded that a complaint is merely an accusation; the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty.

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